

Candidates Galore

George Wood on Wednesday, Jessie Rae Scott on Thursday, Lane Brown on Monday and Howard Lee on next Wednesday. Next week, therefore, could be expected as a political edition.

It is, therefore, a pretty good chance for us to state the policy along the Public Parade where political candidates are concerned.

While this writer has his choices for the various offices, the news columns are open to each and every candidate, regardless of his party affiliation. Our subscribers are entitled to be apprised of what they do here and what they say here, as well as to who they associate with while here.

Difficult was it with a weekly publication, we continue to strive to give equal news coverage to all candidates, even if it means stretching a deadline. In this regard we play the news as if it is current events, not history.

As a reporter we are impartial. As an editor we take a different tact. We hope the twain shall never meet.

Regardless of our fairness doctrine we have already had one principal candidate do his thing, be told of our policy, then say to an aide: "Well, we might as well go we won't get anywhere here."

This was a new experience for us. So was the fact that we laughed ourself to sleep that night, only because we were more aware than ever that some people you just can't be nice to.

Re-Enter A Star

David Holton was quarterback for the Edenton Aces when we came to meander along the Public Parade. Twelve years later he re-enters the scene as head mentor with a tremendous challenge to mold young players into championship contenders.

As the quarterback for the 1964 edition of the Aces he guided the team, coached by Jerry McGee, to a 9-0-1 record. The only loss was to Elizabeth City, champions in another conference.

On September 3 the Aces and Coach Holton will exchange expertise with Northeastern in Elizabeth City, directed by the same Jerry McGee who enjoyed so much delight while reaping his athletic fortunes along the Public Parade by spanking the arch rivals from a bigger conference.

The Aces will do well with David Holton as coach, just as they established records with him as a star performer. While his role has

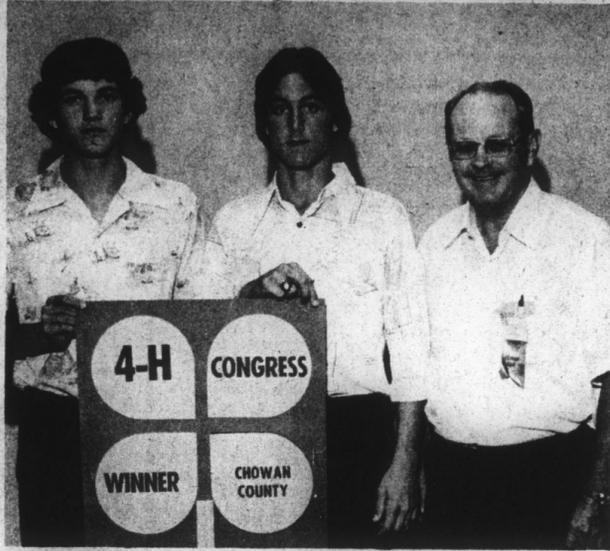
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Incumbent Is Criticized

Joe Johnson breezed in and out of Edenton Thursday morning, seeking exposure for his candidacy for N. C. Commissioner of Insurance. He moved along at a rapid pace with A. B. Harless, Jr., and West W. Byrum, Jr., in full command.

In his barnstorm visit he probably shook more hands in the least amount of time than any politician to stop here in a long time.

The weather was hot and humid



WINNERS—Bill Jordan, left, and Carroll Perry, center, both of Tyner, won the state environmental quality demonstration during the 1976 N. C. 4-H Congress in Raleigh. As a result, they each received a \$50 Savings Bond from the N. C. Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. With Jordan, who is 16, and Perry, who is 17, is Chowan County agricultural extension agent Murray Goodwin. The 4-H program is conducted by the Agricultural Extension Service with the help of volunteer adult leaders.

Two Return As State Winners

By Danny Cook
Ext. Trainee

Two Chowan County 4-Her's, Bill Jordan and Carroll Perry, returned from the N. C. 4-H Club Congress as state winners in the environmental quality competition area. Their demonstration was on effective windbreaks and how to properly plant windbreaks.

This is the second year for the two young men to win the title of state demonstration winners. Chowan County also had several other winners.

Second place winners were Bobby Dail in the field of small engines, and Bob Jordan and Randy Copeland in the area of The American Business System. Winning third place titles were Debbie Jordan in horse and Jane Parrish in the girl's division of automotive skill driving.

Steve Fleming did a very good job in the field of horticultural production and Vanessa Spivey participated in the forestry demonstration.

On Monday night two 4-Her's from Chowan were tapped in the N. C. Honor Club, and honor that is given only to very outstanding 4-Her's on the basis of their leadership and service to 4-H. The two being tapped in the Honor Club were Pat Perry and Marta Rogerson.

Marta and Pat were busy during the week serving as district officers and Marta also had the honor of singing in the talent show on Thursday night. There were over 222 talent numbers across the state during District Activity Days and of these, 20 were selected to display their talent on Thursday night. Marta also received special recognition by means of a news article in the News and Observer for her dedication to 4-Her's and the activities she has been involved in

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Absentee Ballot Deadline Set

The deadline to receive absentee ballots to vote in the August 17 primary election is 6 P.M., August 11, according to the Chowan County Board of Elections.

Those who qualify for absentee voting should contact Mrs. Byron Kehayes, chairman, or Mrs. Joseph Thorud, executive secretary. To qualify one must expect to be out-of-the-county at all hours the polls are open on election day, or have an illness or physical disability.

Mrs. Thorud said provisions are made in the election laws for those who become ill after the August 11 deadline.

New Jail Plan Is Being Tried

Chowan County now uses the Tri-County Jail in Elizabeth City and Sheriff Troy Toppin says he has not encountered any real problems, and it saves the county money.

Sheriff Toppin told the county commissioners Monday he has experienced excellent cooperation from the Edenton Police Department and State Highway Patrol during the two-month trial use of the approved state facility. This could lead to Chowan entering as the fourth member, with Perquimans, Pasquotank,

and Camden, in the facility.

Commissioner Alton Elmore said at the meeting that the "buy-in" cost is the determining factor as far as Chowan is concerned. He did admit that Chowan has made application to join in the facility rather than construct a jail of its own.

Sheriff Toppin said Chowan now pays \$15 per day for persons ledged in the facility in Elizabeth City. He said during June and July the county had 34 jail days each month which is less than the costs required to provide 24-hour observation at the local jail.

"I have been pleased, thus far," the sheriff told The Chowan Herald.

The cost of the jail facility could materially affect the construction of a courthouse-jail complex here, officials state. Chowan initially was asked to join in the multi-county project but chose not to do so.

Chowan County entered into an agreement with Perquimans County for a joint detail soils survey. Albert Moore of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service said the six-year program is contracted on a year-to-year basis and either county could pull out at a specific time.

The survey would be to inventory soils in both counties with the costs being shared on a 50-50 basis. The project was recommended by the Chowan County Planning Board.

In other matters, the county delayed adoption of a resolution accepting a joint 201 Wastewater Facilities Study with the Town of Edenton until some questions can be resolved in a joint meeting of the two boards on August 10.

At the request of Commissioner N. J. George, Mayor Roy L. Harrell appeared at the meeting and suggested that the joint meeting be held to clear "the air" concerning the study.

George contends that if the county accepts the study it will be "locked in" to spend taxpayers money to benefit only a portion of the county. Chairman C. A. Phillips said he does not feel this is the case.

The board was petitioned by a group of citizens at Chowan Beach

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Howard Lee To Be Guest

Howard Lee, candidate for lieutenant governor will be guest at the Albemarle Political Action Committee Fund Raising Banquet to be held Tuesday, at 8 P.M. in the Elizabeth City State University Cafeteria.

Lee will be in Edenton on Wednesday at 2 P.M. at the Municipal Building. All citizens are invited to greet him.

He is a 41 year-old government and civic leader with an outstanding record. He was elected three times as Mayor of Chapel Hill and served until recently as Director of Human Development at Duke University.

He is committed to making things better in North Carolina, a spokesman stated.



Howard Lee

New Housing Program To Benefit Area

A new subsidized housing program for private rentals is being introduced into the Albemarle Area which consists of the counties of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Date, Gates, Hyde, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington.

The Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 8

program is being operated by the Economic Improvement Council, Inc., and will bring \$362,908 into the area in the next year, for 195 units.

The housing program will supplement the rent payments of individuals in the area according to need.

It is designed for people with low



Mrs. Jessie Rae Scott

Mrs. Scott Visiting Here

A former Tar Heel First Lady who is a Democratic candidate for Commissioner of Labor will campaign informally at a dutch luncheon here today (Thursday).

Mrs. Jessie Rae Scott, wife of former Gov. Bob Scott of Haw River, will arrive at Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant at 12-noon, according to Mrs. W. J. P. Earnhardt, Sr., who is coordinating the visit. Her husband is expected to be traveling with her on this swing through Northeastern North Carolina.

Mrs. Earnhardt said the luncheon is now limited to women. "We hope to have some men from the community take this opportunity to visit with and hear Mrs. Scott," she said.

In April when she announced for the Council of State position, Mrs. Scott said, in part:

"I know that for a woman running for elective office, it means she feels she has to be more effective, more successful, more dedicated, more responsible, more moral, more everything, in order that she be taken seriously. Consequently, I will have to work harder."

"In North Carolina almost half of the total labor force is women, and I see no reason why a woman could not and should not be a part of administering laws which have to do with the working environment of all the workers in this state, man or woman."

"I think I can bring to the office of Commissioner of Labor a sense of compassion and concern not only for North Carolinians in the labor force, but also to each of those 5-million residents whose health and safety are affected by this department."



CANDIDATE STOPS HERE—A. B. Harless, Jr., right, was on hand Thursday morning to welcome Joe Johnson of Greensboro to Edenton. Johnson is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Commissioner of Insurance. He is on leave as head of the business administration department of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.



EIC HOUSING OFFICIALS—Gil Johnson, right, director of housing at Economic Improvement Council, Inc., here has announced the establishment of a Section 8 program through the Department of Housing & Urban Development. With him are Walter Noneman, Jr., office manager-counselor; and Tonia O. Fleetwood, secretary.

incomes and includes those on Social Security, the elderly, and handicapped, mental or physical.

According to Gil Johnson, EIC housing director, the new Section 8 program has something to offer to both tenants and landlords.

"The tenant of course gets help in paying the rent," he states. "We subsidize according to income, size of family, and median income of the county the house is in."

"For the landlord, there is the possibility he can get more money for his rental if it meets HUD standards."

Johnson explained meeting HUD standards for housing isn't really that stringent on a landlord and could mean quite a jump in rental price.

"We hope we can get the landlord to improve his property so it will meet our qualifications," Johnson said.

If housing meets the standards, the fair-market price for the rental can be charged.

For houses in this area that can run from \$97 a month for one-bedroom dwellings to \$199 for four-bedroom dwellings. These figures are high and low for the 10 counties and vary within individual counties.

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**Bloodmobile Monday August 9th At Edenton Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
12:00 Noon Til 6:00 P. M. Quota: 100 Pints**